No. 8.

PETITION.

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To the Honourable the Speaker and Members of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, in Parliament assembled:

The humble petition of C. Hungerford Pollen, Robert L. T. Galbraith, Hugh Watt and James A. Harvey, all of the Town of Fort Steele, in the Province of British Columbia, humbly sheweth:—

That your petitioners are desirous of incorporating a Company to be called the "Kootenay, Cariboo and Pacific Railway Company," for the purpose of constructing and operating a line of railway for the carrying of freight and passengers: Commencing at a point on the Canadian Pacific Railway, at or near the Town of Golden, in the Province of British Columbia, thence north-westerly, following the course of the Columbia and Canoe Rivers, to a point at or near Tête Jaune Cache; thence north-westerly, following the course of the Fraser River, to a point at or near Giscome Portage; thence westerly, following the course of the Nechaco and Skeena Rivers, or by the most convenient route to tide-water at or near Port Simpson, with authority to construct a branch line to the Town of Barkerville, and other branch lines not exceeding 50 miles each in length. Also to connect with and enter into running arrangements with any other railways situate near said proposed railway, or any part thereof; to receive from any Government, person or body corporate grants of land, money, or other assets in aid of construction of said undertaking; with power to construct and operate telegraph and telephone lines, for the purpose of its business and for the public, and with power to own, use and operate water-powers convenient to the road for their railway and other purposes; with power to own and operate steamships and shipping and build and erect the necessary wharves, and with such other powers and privileges as are usually given to railway companies.

Your petitioners, therefore, pray that your Honourable Body may be pleased to pass an Act granting to your petitioners the above powers.

And your petitioners, as in duty bound, will ever pray.

Dated this 19th day of February, A. D. 1903.

R. L. T. Galbraith, Hugh Watt, J. A. Harvey, C. Hungerford Pollen.